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In re Application of:

Jean-Louis H. GUERET

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For: DEVICE FOR APPLYING A PRODUCT

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) Examiner: H.D. Le  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. To the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents, including any co-pending applications, are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicant submits the following remarks:

1. **DE 298 24 107** - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.

2. **EP 1 136 056** - This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2001/0031168 A1, submitted herewith.

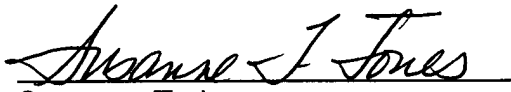
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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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